

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2813 - HB 2595

February 25, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes possession of a firearm in a public place that serves alcoholic beverages for on premises consumption by a person holding a valid handgun permit who is not consuming such alcoholic beverages. Under current law, it is a class A misdemeanor for any person other than on-duty law enforcement, military or correctional personnel or the owner of the establishment to possess a firearm at a place serving alcoholic beverages for on premises consumption. Authorizes possession of a firearm on public or private school grounds by a person holding a valid handgun permit as long as the firearm remains on or in the person's vehicle. Under current law, possession of a firearm by unauthorized persons on school grounds is a class E felony. Authorizes a person training hunting dogs to possess a firearm if they have a handgun carry permit. Under current law such possession out of season is prohibited and is a class C misdemeanor.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Expenditures - \$4,800 / Incarceration

Decrease Local Govt. Expenditure - Not Significant

Decrease Local Govt. Revenues - Not Significant

Estimate assumes:

- one less class E felony conviction for possession of a weapon on school grounds.
- impact on local governments depends upon the number of persons not convicted of the misdemeanor offenses that would have been in the absence of the bill and the resulting decreased cost to local governments that will not have to confine such persons versus the decreased revenues to local governments from fines not levied or collected under the provisions of this bill.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James A. Davenport". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'J' and 'D'.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director